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SUBJ: CARAZO TO DISCUSS OIL WITH LOPEZ PORTILLO IN CANCUN

1. GOCR HAS ANNOUNCED THAT PRESIDENT CARAZO WILL MAKE ONE-DAY VISIT TO CANCUN SUNDAY, MAY 20, FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH MEXICAN PRESIDENT LOPEZ PORTILLO. ALTHOUGH THE TUNA FISHERIES ISSUE WILL PROBABLY ARISE, THE MAIN TOPIC OF DISCUSSION WILL BE OIL.

2. OFFICIAL SOURCES INDICATE THAT CARAZO WILL TRY TO ACCELERATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE JANUARY, 1978, AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOPEZ AND FORMER PRESIDENT ODUBER, WHICH, INTER ALIA, PLEDGED GOM "PETROLEUM ASSISTANCE" TO COSTA RICA. THE PRESIDENT IS INTERESTED IN MEXICAN HELP WITH PETROLEUM EXPLORATION IN THE LIMON AREA ON THE ATLANTIC, AS WELL AS IN POSSIBLE FUTURE OIL IMPORTS FROM MEXICO. CARAZO WILL ALSO CARRY  
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TO CANCUN HIS CURRENT CAMPAIGN TOWARD THE CREATION OF AN "ORGANIZATION OF OIL IMPORTING COUNTRIES." (CARAZO TOOK AN ACTIVE PART WITH THE GOVERNMENT HEADS OF BOLIVIA, THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, COLOMBIA, AND SPAIN IN A FIVE-NATION DECLARATION DURING HERRERA INAUGURATION IN CARACAS. THIS WAS ALSO A PRINCIPAL THEME OF CARAZO'S MID-APRIL VISIT TO GUATEMALA, EL SALVADOR AND HONDURAS).

3. ACCOMPANYING CARAZO WILL BE FOREIGN MINISTER RAFAEL ANGEL CALDERON; FINANCE MINISTER HERNAN SAENZ; PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION MINISTER RODEPKO MENDEBBRD EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT

OF RECOPE, THE STATE OIL COMPANY, FERNANDO ORTUNO; AND PRE-SIDENTIAL ADVISOR JULIO RODRIGUEZ.  
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